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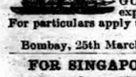

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McCOMBIE & WRIGHT.

FOR SALE.

CARBONELL'S SHERRY and PORT.
CRUCK, FENWICK & Co.'s SHERRY and PORT.
BARTON & GUESTLER'S LENVILLE and BEYCHEVELLE CLARET.
MILNER & SON'S PATENT FIRE RESISTING SAFES.

Apply to CURSETJEE NOWROJEE, at the Godowns of Messrs. Ewart, Latham & Co.

Bombay, 6th May 1861.

FOR SALE.

AT THE GODOWNS OF THE UNDERSIGNED CHAMPAGNE.

	Rs.
Fleur de Sillery—Jacquesson and Fils	30 p. doz. quarts.
Cliquot	35 „

CLARET.

St. Estephe—H. Hernozant	16	„
St. Jullien do.	20	„
Leoville do.	22	„
Fine Claret Augt. Meller and Co.	16	„

RHENISH WINES.

	p. dz. pints.	
Sparkling Moselle 1st quality	35	Rs. 18
Do. 2nd do.	30	
Sparkling Hock 1st do.	35	„ 18
Do. 2nd do.	30	
Rudesheimer 1857	25	
Hochheimer 1857	28	

VOLKART BROTHERS.

MESSRS. GLEDSTANES, CONINGHAM & CO.

BEG leave to inform their friends and the public in the Bombay Presidency, that they have made arrangements for the regular supply of their WINES and SPIRITS through their Agents, MESSRS. LEGGATT & Co., Bombay, at whose Godowns they will in future be always procurable.

MESSRS. GLEDSTANES, CONINGHAM & Co. will continue to ship the same qualities of Wines and Spirits which have hitherto been in such extensive demand, and beg reference to the following list of those descriptions which have been found most suitable for consumption in India.

LIST OF PRICES.

	Per Dozen.
Pale Sherry, White Seal, in 1 or 3 dozen cases	Rs. 20
Do. Do. Black „	25
Do. Do. Yellow „	29
Amontillado, Red „	32
Port ..... Black „	28
Do. Pints „	15
Claret ..... Blue „	20
Do. Leoville, Yellow „	30
Do. Chateau Margaux, Red Seal	35
Champagne, Sparkling „	36
Do. do. 1st quality „	42
Sauterne „	30
Moselle „	30
Do. Sparkling „	36
Rhenish „	20
Pale Brandy „	30
Do. Do. very fine „	36
Gin, Old Tom „	18
Geneva „	23
Cherry Brandy, finest „	36
Do. do. „ Pints	18
Liqueurs of finest qualities.	

N. B.—Direct orders for Wines in Wood or Bottle and all kinds of Spirits and Liquors, will be promptly executed.

11, Regent Street, London, Jan. 1, 1862.

WINES, SPIRITS, & BEER, PRICE LIST.

MESSRS. TREACHER & Co., confidently recommend a new Batch of Sherries and would beg to draw attention to their revised list of Wines, &c.

SHERRIES—

Black Seal	Amontillado	per dozen	Rs. 28
Bronze do.	Good Dinner Wines...	„	„ 24
White do.			
Brown do.			„ 22
Yellow do.			
MADEIRA, very old		„	„ 42

PORT—

Black Seal—Matured Fruity	Quarts	„	„ 28
Do. Do.	Pints	„	„ 15
Red Seal	Quarts	„	„ 24
Do. Do.	Pints	„	„ 13

CLARET—

Chateux Margaux	„	„ 34
Leoville	„	„ 28
St. Julien	„	„ 23
Medoc	„	„ 16

CHAMPAGNE—

Superior quality	A. De Paul	Quarts	„ 40
Do.	Do.	Pints	„ 21
Do.	J. C. Morizet	Quarts	„ 36
Do.	do.	Pints	„ 19

HOCK—

Sparkling and Still	Dembar & Jordan / Coblentz Rhine...	per dozen	Rs. 38
MOSELLE do.	do.	„	„ 21
ORABBIE'S GINGER WINE		„	„ 18
TREACHER & Co. do.		„	„ 42
CURACOA		„	„ 40
MARASCHINO		„	„ 30
SHERRY BRANDY			

SPIRITS—

Brandies Rs. 18, 24, 30, 36	„	
do. ...Julies Robins (30 years old)	„	30
Rum .....Fine old Jamaica.....	„	29
Gin—Old Tom....Booth, London.....	„	
Do.....Hollands in cases.....	„	„ 21
WHISKEY .....Glenlivat, Crabbie ...	„	

BEERS AND STOUT.

Allopp's and Bass' Ale and Beer, English and Country bottled, just to hand in excellent condition.

GUINNESS, Dublin. BARCLAY and PERKINS, London, and TENNENTS' Stout and Porter, Pints and Quarts.

TREACHER & Co.

BOMBAY, POONA, KAMPTEE, KURRACHEE, AND KOTREE.

Albert Medical and Family Endowment Life Assurance Company.

CAPITAL, £500,000 STERLING.

Report of the Directors of the Indian Branch, for the Year Ending 31st December, 1861.

THE Directors have now to submit the usual Annual Statements to Policy Holders and the Public.

The Accounts have been carefully audited, at the Church Lane Office, by Mr. S. F. Seymour, and at the Chowringhee Office by Mr. C. F. Burgett and Mr. E. A. Flinders, and the following is an extract from their Reports:—

(1) There have been received 682 Proposals for assurance, amounting to Rupees 33,71,589, of which 101, for assurances amounting to Rupees 6,43,698, have been declined.

(2.) There have been issued 699 New Policies for fresh assurances, assuring Rupees 29,28,432, and yielding in Annual Premiums Rupees 1,33,678-5-7.

(3.) There have been adjusted 80 Claims on 67 lives for the aggregate sum of Rupees 6,24,100 of which Rupees 45,370 has been recovered under reinsurances in London.

(4.) The Cancelments from all causes amount to Rupees 24,95,098, the relative Annual Income on which was Rupees 114,783-0-4.

(5.) The Policies in Force on 31st December 1861 are in number 2,738, assuring Rupees 1,55,68,672, and yielding in Annual Premiums Rupees 6,97,065-13-11.

(6.) The gross Investments, all of which stand in three names, amount to Rupees 18,71,292-9-4, including Cash and Bank Balances: Rupees 13,98,583-14-0 being in Government Securites.

On the 21st February 1861, the Shareholders of the Family Endowment Society in London, in General Meeting, unanimously resolved to make over all their business and funds to the Albert Medical and Family Endowment Company, as that Office undertaking all the liabilities under the Policies that had been issued. This Resolution having been confirmed by Special General Meeting duly convened, held on the 14th March, the transfer to this Office, thereafter designated the Albert Medical and Family Endowment Life Assurance Company, was made in London, and was carried out here on the 1st July on receipt of authority and instructions.

By this measure the connection of the Company has been largely increased, the base of operations extended and the funds and income added to.

The triennial valuation of Policies, Li

COMMERCIAL.

BOMBAY DAILY BILL, SHARE, STOCK, AND FREIGHT LIST.

BOMBAY GAZETTE OFFICE,
Friday, 4th April 1862.

EXCHANGE.

On what Place	Terms.	Rates.
London (Credits)	6 months' sight ...	2s. 01d./16d.
Do. Documents ...	Do. do. ...	2s. 0¾d.
Do. Bank Rates ...	Do. do. ...	2s. 0¾d. to 2s. 09/16d.
Calcutta	Sight	¼ Prem.
Madras	30 days' sight	99½.
China	60 do. do.	Rs. 217 per $100.

SHARES.

Names.	Paid up.	Last Half-yearly Dividend.	Rates.
	Rs.		
Bombay Bank	1,000	5 p. cent.	69 Prm, ex Div.
Madras Bank	1,000	24 do.	26 do.
Agra Bank	500	7 do.	7½ do.
Oriental Bank Corporation	250	7 do.	102 do.
Commercial Bank	500	3 do.	1¾ do.
Mercantile Bank	250	5 do.	31 ex Divd.
Oriental Bank of W. India	150	2½ do.	½ Dis.
Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company, Consolidated Shares	218.3.0	2½ do.	Rs. 20 p.sh.Dis.
Do. New Shares	87.4.4	2½ do.	Rs. 13 do.
Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway	1,000	2½ do.	Nomi. [sh.Div.'
Bombay Gas Company	4,000	350 p. sh.	Rs. 250 Dis. p.
[illegible]a Company ...	11,000	1,650 p. sh.	Rs. 20,000 do.
[illegible]a Company ...	2,700	13 do.	Rs. 5,500 do.
[illegible]l Company ...	10,000	100 p. sh.	Rs. 11,500 do.
Bank and Company ...	9,100	200 p. sh.	Rs. 4,800 do.
[illegible]eat Navigation Company	500	32 do.	Rs. 350 dis.
[illegible]Weaving Co. ...	5,000	1,000 do.	Rs. 450 p. sh.
[illegible]eaving and Spinning Company ...	1,000	(p. Ann.	[Prem. nom.
[illegible]Company ...	2,500	450 p. sh.	Rs. 450 Prem.
[illegible]ares	625	.....	Rs. 40 Prem.
[illegible]ares	625	.....	Rs. 20 p. sh.
[illegible]sing Co.	5,000	.....	Nominal.
Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company ...	500	.....	Rs. 300 Dis.
Great Western Spinning and Weaving Company ...	400	.....	Rs. 300 do.
Manockjee Pitt's Spinning and Weaving Co. ...	550	.....	Rs. 120 do.
Throstle Mill Company ...	4,000	.....	300 Dis.
Bombay United Spinning Company	4,500	.....	Nominal.

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

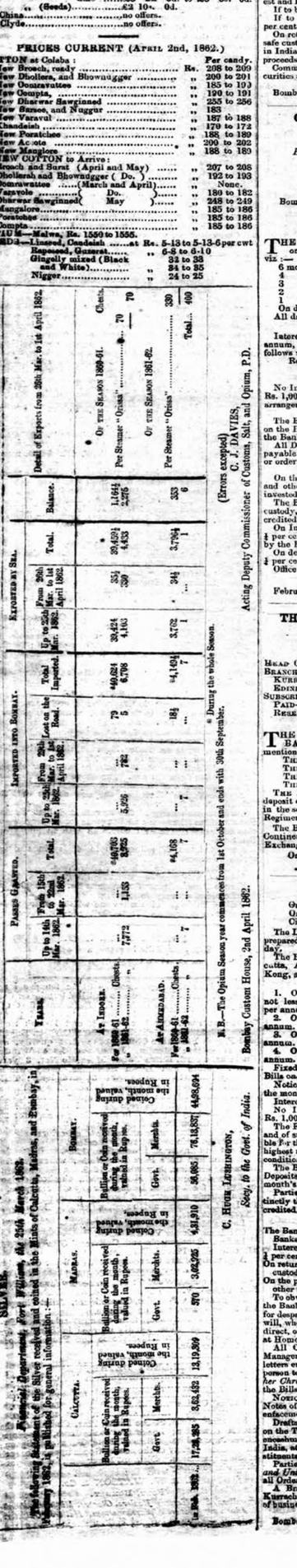
Sovereigns, each	Rs.	10-6
Bank of England Notes	Nominal.	
Spanish Dollars	Rs.	230 Nominal
Carolus	,,	250 do.
Mexican Dollars	,,	227 do.
German Crowns	,,	213¼ do.
Five Franc Pieces	,,	205
Bar Silver	,,	106¾
Gold Leaf	,,	15-14

FREIGHTS.

To Liverpool (Cotton) ready ...	£3	0d. to £3	7s. 6d.
,, April loading ...	£3	7s. 6d. to £3	10s. 0d.
,, May loading ...no offers.			
,, American tonnage	£2	12s. 6d. to £2	15s. 0d.
,, (Seeds)	£1	17s. 6d. to £2	0s. 0d.
To London (Cotton) ready	£3	0s.	0d.
,, time	£3	2s. 6d. to £3	5s. 0d.
,, (Seeds)	£1	10s.	0d.
To China	no offers.		
To Clyde	no offers.		

PRICES CURRENT (APRIL 2nd, 1862.)

COTTON at Colaba :	Per candy.
New Broach, ready ..... Rs.	208 to 209
New Dholleras, and Bhowuggur ..... ,,	200 to 201
New Oomrawuttee ..... ,,	185 to 192
New Comptа, ... ,,	190 to 191
New Dharwar Sawginned ..... ,,	255 to 256
New Surnee, and Nuggur ..... ,,	183
New Veraval ..... ,,	187 to 188
Khandeish ..... ,,	179 to 172
New Poratchee ..... ,,	188 to 189
New Accotа ..... ,,	200 to 202
New Munglore ..... ,,	188 to 189
NEW COTTON to Arrive :	
Broach and Surat (April and May) ... ,,	207 to 208
Dholleras and Bhowuggur (Do.) ... ,,	192 to 193
Oomrawuttee .....(March and April)... ,,	None.
Veraval ..... Do. ..... ,,	180 to 182
Dharwar Sawginned ..... May ..... ,,	248 to 249
Mangalore ..... ,,	185 to 186
Poratchee ..... ,,	185 to 186
Compta ..... ,,	185 to 186
OPIUM—Malwa, Rs. 1550 to 1555.	
SEED—Linseed, Candeish ...at Rs. 5-13 to 5-13-6 per cwt	
Rapeseed, Guzerat ..... ,,	6-8 to 6-10
Gingelly mixed (Black and White) ..... ,,	32 to 33
,, ... ,,	24 to 25
Nigger ..... ,,	24 to 25


OPIUM MEMORANDUM for the week ending Tuesday, 1st April 1862.
EXPORTED BY SEA.
Passes Granted.
Up to 25th Mar. 1862.
From 26th Mar. to 1st April 1862.
Total.
Detail of Exports from 26th Mar. to 1st April 1862.
Chests.
70
70
Total ..
600
Balance.
1,164½
2,276
323
6
Total.
39,452½
4,833
3,784½
Total Imported.
40,424
4,163
3,702
1
Total.
44,587
6,996
4,161½
7
Up to 25th Mar. 1862.
38,792
6,225
3,462½
Up to 25th Mar. 1862.
Lost on the Road.
792
...
181
...
Total.
39,584
6,225
3,643½
7
Balance in Godowns received during the month, valued in Rupees.
Consd. during the month, valued in Rupees.
Govt.
Merchts.
Govt.
Merchts.
Govt.
Merchts.
Govt.
Merchts.
CALCUTTA.
MADRAS.
BOMBAY.
Ex Liverpool.
Ex Ahmedabad.
Ex Broach.
Per Steamer "Orissa".
Per Steamer "Orissa".
Per Steamer "Orissa".
On the Season 1860-61.
On the Season 1861-62.
Of the Season 1861-62.
Total.
Total.
Total.
Rs.
Rs.
Rs

CALENDAR.—APRIL 1862.

First Quarter	Monday	7d.	5h. 40m. P. M.
Full Moon	Monday	14d.	7h. 48.8m. P. M.
Last Quarter	Monday	21d.	10h. 53.1m. A. M.
New Moon	Tuesday	29d.	4h. 18.7m. A. M.

Days.	Sundays, Festivals, &c.	Sun Rises	Sun Sets.	High Water at Bombay. Morn.	High Water at Bombay. Even.	Evening Gun-Fire. Shows Orin.
		h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	m.
Fri.	4 St. Ambrose, B.	5 55	6 13	2 5	2 7	
Sat.	5	5 57	6 14	2 45	3 4	
Sun.	6 8th Sunday in Lent.	5 53	6 14	3 26	3 34	
Mon.	7	5 50	6 14	4 32	4 37	
Tues.	8	5 50	6 14	5 37	5 57	
Wed.	9	5 49	6 14	6 45	7 15	
Thur.	10	5 48	6 15	7 47	8 21	

Date 3rd April Time—9h.m. 30s.

CHRONOLOGY OF REMARKABLE EVENTS.

Friday, 6th.—Oliver Goldsmith died, 1774.
Saturday, 5th.—Canada discovered, [illegible] —Abdication of Buonaparte, 1814.—Khyber Pass forced by General Pollock, 1842.
Sunday, 6th.—Capture of Mercara, Coorg, 1834.
Monday 7th.—Money first coined, B. C. 540.—Prince Leopold George Duncan Albert born, 1853.—Tantia Topee captured, 1859.
Tuesday, 8th.—Hudson's Bay Company established, 1692.—Surrender of Asseerghur, 1819.—Ganges Canal opened, 1854.
Wednesday, 9th.—Coronation of William and Mary, 1689.—Capture of Asseerghur, 1819.
Thursday, 10th.—Battle of Toulouse, 1814.

ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.

Undelivered Messages in the Bombay Government Telegraph Office, on the 3rd April 1862.

Ruttonjee Manockjee, Jumadarna near Batliwalla's Office.
Shaik Jass.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENT.

A CONSTITUENT &c., Mind your own affairs.

FACT, (who does not authenticate his letter,) should appeal to Government. He was purposely disrespectful to his superior in rank, by not taking off his shoes on the occasion alluded to, the fine of Ten Rupees was not too great a punishment to him for his insolence.

THE Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 1862.

LATEST DATES RECEIVED IN BOMBAY.

ENGLAND	3 Mar	CEYLON	15 Mar
FRANCE	5 Mar	CHINA	1 Mar
MALTA	20 Feb.	SINGAPORE	8 Mar
ALEXANDRIA	7 Mar	PENANG	10 Mar
SUEZ	13 Mar	CALCUTTA	26 Mar
ADEN	19 Mar	MADRAS	29 Mar
MAURITIUS	6 Mar.	N. W. PROVINCES	28 Mar
CAPE	14 Feb.	SCINDE—KURRACHEE	28 Mar
AUSTRALIA	1 Feb.	PUNJAUB	26 Mar
BANGALORE	29 Mar.	RANGOON	21 Mar

THE insurrection in Greece seems to have been of a very serious character. The statements of the official journals fell far short of the truth in regard to it. They admitted that there had been three engagements, in which, they said, the royal troops were successful. While the official accounts, however, stated that the rising made no progress, letters from Paris affirmed that it was gaining ground. The facts of the case are, that the garrison of the town of Nauplia took up arms at night, and declared against the system of Government which the king, or rather the Queen, wished to impose on the nation. The rebels made prisoners of the Prefect of Nauplia and the Commander of the garrison. The garrison was estimated at from 1500 to 1800 men. It was composed of two battalions of infantry, a company of artillery, and a company of the Army Works Corps. Nauplia is the only fortress in Greece. The insurgents were masters of all the arms and ammunition disposable. Nauplia is a strong town surrounded by a wall. The citadel which commands it was also in possession of the insurgents. The political convicts were all confined in the citadel. Nauplia is indeed a more important position than Athens. A Greek officer said to an English gentleman—"We soldiers are all of one mind; we wish to get rid of these Bavarians. Let the King and Queen go home. It is probable that the insurrection will spread to Athens and Patras, and if it does our august Bavarians must go to Corfu or Trieste. They have always deceived us, and we will never again trust them. It was they who compromised us with England and France in 1854 by following the advices of the Cabinet of Vienna. We will no longer remain among the lowest of nations, but we will address ourselves to the noble and generous English and French. We desire reforms, but particularly in our finances, in order that we may be able to pay the interest of our debt and re-establish our credit in Europe. See the trick the dynasty has played on Canaris, the only patriot who has for years remained pure and independent. Everybody is corrupt in our country. Nobody dare nor will do anything for the country. The absolute authority is fixed in the Queen's closet, who, with a few devoted adherents, rules everybody." The greater part of the Greeks have numberless complaints to make against the King, and particularly against the Queen.

The garrison of Lanica had imitated that of Nauplia, and taken up arms against the Government. Lanica is a frontier town two hours distant from the boundary of Thessaly. It had a strong garrison, and is in a Province of which it was said the inhabitants were not well disposed to the existing Government. It was hourly expected at Athens that the insurrection of the garrisons of Patras, Missolonghi, and Tripolizza would be announced. It would require an army of 5,000 men to reduce Nauplia, and the king had no such force at his disposal. The garrison of Athens, though commanded by one of the king's most devoted adherents, was said to be secretly rejoiced at the insurrection of Nauplia and Lanica, and to be waiting only for a favorable opportunity to follow their example. Patrols were parading the streets of Athens at night. The inhabitants laughed at such precautions, knowing that the insurrection did not exist among them, but in the army. The people were ready to follow the troops when they gained the upper hand. The rallying cry of the insurgents was—'the nation for ever; down with the present Government.' The country was in a state of complete confusion. The King did not seem to be aware of the real state of affairs. He had given the command of the troops ordered to march against Nauplia to General Hahn. The General is a German Philhellene—honest and prudent. The English ship-of-war *Mars*, and the French gun-brig *La Flamme* were at the Piræus. By the latest official accounts, the insurgents of Nauplia had been repulsed, and tranquility had been restored in the Peloponesus. How far these accounts can be relied on remains to be seen.

WE reproduce in another column an article from the *Bengal Hurkaru* 'on the great question of the commercial world'—the possession of the English cotton market. The article is a positively affirmative answer to the definite question—can India gain and hold possession of the English cotton market; and, we may add, it was written in refutation of a tissue of wretched sophistries elaborately strung together, with a little of the golden thread of truth, into an article in the London *Economist*, entitled *Indian versus American Cotton*. The article in the *Economist* might have been written previous to the days of Francis of Verulam; for the writer of it has not brought philosophy out of the cotton trade obedient to the laws which have been made for her by her great lawgiver. He gives no indication of any knowledge of the inductive method. The *Hurkaru* completely brushes away the cobweb tissue of the *Economist*: cobweb it really seems to be; for besides its flimsiness, there is an insidiousness about it betraying the cloven foot of the Confederacy; and we know that Confederate emissaries have been working to gain over the London press. The two positions taken by the *Hurkaru* are in our opinion impregnable. The first is, that in respect to cotton cultivation the Southern or slave states of America never can be in future what they have been: the second is, that in the same respect India must in future be what she never yet has been. As regards the first of these positions, it will be established by the very arguments which prove that slavery in America never can be in future what it has been. No one, who is at all acquainted with the character of the war in America, and with the results that it has already produced, can for a moment doubt that slavery has received by this war its death blow. This blow has been given to it by a triple stroke. The feeling of the Northern or free States against an institution so evil in itself and so anomalous under a free national constitution has by this war become fully developed and decided: the people of the North will never be able henceforth to endure it: they know it to be the cause of all their national troubles by the power it has to keep alive sectional differences and disputes. Again, the knowledge which by this war the slaves have acquired of the state of feeling in the country against the institution will determine them no longer to endure it, and this knowledge will be to them a power which they never did before possess, because it will give them confidence in the strength which they know they do possess. Finally, the number of slaves which the war has already liberated, and which it is going on to liberate, even should emancipation never be the declared policy of the Federal Government, has radically altered the character of the institution and the relations between the slave and the enslaver. No one who duly considers these three positions will for a moment believe that slavery can in future be what it has been. If slavery cannot in future be what it has been in the Southern states of America, for this very reason the cotton cultivation there cannot in future be what it has been—at all events under the present race of planters. They are as dependent upon the slaves for their cotton, as they are upon 'meat and drink' for their life; and cotton is as much the support of their social life, as 'meat and drink' is of their corporeal life. As regards the second of the above positions, that India in respect to cotton cultivation (as, indeed, in respect to every thing else connected with progress) must in future be what she never yet has been, we are astonished that any doubt should exist in any intelligent quarters on this subject. As the *Hurkaru* says—were the total possible supply from India to be confined to Surat staples and to cotton grown along the Bombay coast, had not efforts to improve our Indian staples been heretofore mainly conducted by Government and been almost untouched by the grand stimulant of personal interest, and if new lands were not opening up in every part of India, whose varied soils are to effect changes in the staple which none can foretell, there might be some room for doubt on the subject. In respect of cotton cultivation, as we said on a former occasion, the introduction into India of merely an improved tillage will be like the discovery of a new India. To believe that India cannot produce a vastly larger quantity and a vastly improved quality of the staple, it is necessary to shut one's eyes to all the important facts bearing on her cotton cultivation. In the first place, what is the cause of the inferiority of the cotton of a large district of our presidency—we refer to Khandeish. The Khandeish cotton was at one time much better than it is now. The cause and date of the deterioration in it is well known. It was the introduction by a Marwarree cotton dealer of seed from Marwar, inferior as to quality but superior as to the quantity it returned. Of course, it was a very easy matter for an interested dealer to bring such seed into general use. Not only, therefore, may a better quality be produced in Khandeish by the use of better seed; but as the better quality was formerly produced by a wretched mode of culture, the quality may be still further bettered and the quantity increased by an improved mode of cultivation. Again, we have cotton grown in Dharwar from Egyptian seed not a whit inferior in length and strength of fibre to the best sea-island. We have examined both kinds. We have also given samples of the former to American merchants well acquainted with the latter description, who pronounced it equal to it in every respect, and who sent samples to America to show that cotton as good as their best could be produced in India. What has been the sum and substance of the reports on the failure of cotton experiments in India? It has been—the experiments proved failures: but they were entirely entrusted to natives who, it must be said, were not willing that they should succeed. The Nurbudda valley may be said to be newly opened up to cotton production. If we look at the soils of that valley, we cannot doubt its capability of supplying cotton in enormous qantities and of the desirable quality. There are five classes of soil: 1st Moorum—light loam, free from kunkur and stones, generally at the top of undulating ground not scoured by drainage. This will produce excellent uplands. The rental is about Rs. 2 per acre. 2nd Kabur—a mixture of Moorum and Black soil. It produces cotton to perfection. The rental is Rs. 1½ per acre. 3rd Rankur—partially impoverished first class soil, and low-lying Black soil, producing good cotton at present, but capable on being enriched of producing better. 4th Wankur, and 5th Rorud—two inferior classes, consisting of stony or swamp and grass land. These are capable of improvement as a matter of course by the most ordinary appliances of cultivation. Mr. Victor, of Hurdah, writes:—"I see no reason why the introduction of exotic cotton should not be attended with success, if the seed supplied is good, and ready for sowing by the 20th June at latest, the first rain fall being usually between the 5th and 15th of the month. The soil and climate I believe to be particularly favorable and there are a number of intelligent native farmers who would be only too glad to obtain good seed even by purchase." There is no need of multiplying testimonies. They are as numerous as could be desired, they relate to every quarter of the country, and they are decided and incontrovertible as to the capabilities of India to produce cotton which in quantity and quality would enable her to gain and to hold possession of the English cotton market.

INTELLIGENCE.

LATEST.

CHINA COMMERCIAL NEWS.

(By Electric Telegraph.)

GALLE, *3rd April*, 2-25 P. M.

Opium holders firm, but little doing.
Old Patna 765 dlrs.
New Patna 740 dlrs.
Benares, 720 dlrs.
Malwa, 755 dlrs.
Opium at Shangai on 7th March.—A fair business done at a considerable advance in rates.
Patna 585 taels.
Exchange at Hongkong has further advanced, on London Bank bills four shillings six pence one farthing
First Class private paper four shilling and six pence half penny
On Calcutta, two hundred and seventeen and one half Rupees.
Exchange at Shanghai, on London Bank Bills six shillings one and half penny.
First class private paper six shillings two pence and half penny.
On Calcutta, no transactions.
Rice continues in good demand for shipment to Shanghai and Ningpo.
Good Bengal quoted two dollars thirty-five cents per picul.
Saltpetre in little enquiry, nominal rates dollars ten per picul.

MADRAS, 3rd April 1862.

Five and a half per cent., seven three-fourths premium.
Fives, one and one-fourth premium.
Fours, eleven and one-fourth discount.
Document Bills, two shillings one and one-fourth penny.
Freight, dead weight, two pounds fifteen shillings, light, four pounds to five pounds.
Interest on Loans nine per cent.
Money Market, no alteration.
Forty inches Grey Shirtings, seven pounds, Rupees five.
One number forty Mule Swist, good second, per bundle three nine six

LOCAL.

COLONEL H. M. DURAND, C. B., has been confirmed in the office of Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign Department, in which he has been officiating for some time past.

IT gives us pleasure to be able almost every day to announce some new enterprise inaugurated by our public-spirited merchants. We have just heard that one of our largest commercial houses has made arrangements for establishing at Ahmednuggur a farm for the breeding of horses. We are informed that the Agent employed to conduct this establishment, recently a dashing Cavalry Officer of the Southern Maratha Horse, has proceeded to Arabia with the view of purchasing two hundred of the best breeding mares, and that on his return the farm will be at once established. We trust the enterprise will succeed; and we see no reason why it should not, if the Agent is successful in his mission to Arabia. The question is, will the Arabs part with their breeding mares? Not if they know it, is the answer which those who know them will doubtless give to the question. The Agent, however, is a shrewd man, and he might make them do it without knowing it—if they were not Arabs.

IT was announced some time ago that Government had summarily dismissed Mr. Rowlands, Chief Resident Engineer of the Bombay Water Works. We now understand that Government have cancelled the dismissal, and allowed Mr. Rowland to resign, giving him *two months pay*. We cannot understand such an unconscionable mode of proceeding as this on the part of our local Government. There can be no doubt that the judgment of the public will be decidedly against the Bombay Government. Such proceedings are a virtual confession of having acted unjustly, and of being too proud to retract. Government are not infallible: they are liable to make mistakes; and we would remind them, that it is more honorable and dignified to confess and correct a mistake than to perpetrate an injustice and proudly refuse to acknowledge and undo it. The severity exercised by Government in this case is of an extreme character, and such as would only be rendered justifiable by the grossest faults and derelictions. We cannot believe that Mr. Rowlands is chargeable with anything of this kind. We hear that the correspondence between Mr. Rowlands and the Government is to be laid before the public. We shall give it our personal on its appearance, and we bespeak the same for it on the part of our readers. We cannot bear to see perpetrated by Government, without fully justifying cause, an act of severity which plunges a large and highly respectable circle in distress.

AMONGST our advertisements will be found the Report of the Indian Branch of the "Albert Medical and Family Endowment Life Assurance Company." The Company, by the transfer to it on the 14th March 1861 of all the business and funds of the Family Endowment Society in London, has greatly increased its connection, extended the base of its operations, and added to its funds and income. Professor DeMorgan is engaged in an investigation, the object of which is the triennial valuation of Policies, Liabilities and Assets for the declaration of a Bonus which has to be made from the 31st December last, and the result will be communicated to parties interested as soon as possible. The policies in force on 31st December 1861 were in number 2,738, assuring Rs. 1,55,68,672, and yielding in Annual Premiums Rs. 6,97,065-13-11. The Directors speak with great confidence of the future prospects of the company, and they do so with very good reason. During the past year, six hundred and nine New Policies for fresh assurances were issued, assuring Rupees 29,28,432, and yielding in Annual Premiums Rupees 1,33,67-8-5-7. This large amount of business was transacted by the Company, it must be remembered, in a year of revolution, of radical changes, which kept the largest portion of the European community of India in a state of suspense. Now that matters have become settled, and recent measures promise to secure general activity and prosperity to the Empire, the Company may certainly expect a great increase of business and prosperity.

TIME INTERVALS FOR MESSAGES.

THE statement gives the maxima and minima time intervals for messages received at the Bombay office from the offices at Calcutta, Madras, and Kurrachee during the twenty-four hours ending at 8 o'clock in the morning. The time intervals are deduced from the Calcutta, Madras, and Kurrachee office dates affixed to messages, and are corrected on account of difference of longitude.

2nd April 1862.

In what watch.	Whence received.	Max. and Min.	Time Intervals. H.	Time Intervals. M.	Service or Private.	Words in Message.	By what Line.
From 0 till 12 hours.	Calcutta	Max.	14	58	P.	10	N. W. P.
		Min.	1	36	P.	29	N. W. P.
	Madras	Max.	...	...	...	...	
		Min.	...	...	...	...	
	Kurrachee	Max.	7	37	P.	33	N. W. C.
		Min.	7	32	P.	15	N. W. C.
From 12 till 24 hours.	Calcutta	Max.	9	51	P.	27	N. W. P.
		Min.	1	28	S.	34	N. W. P.
	Madras	Max.	...	...	...	...	
		Min.	...	...	...	...	
	Kurrachee	Max.	4	23	P.	15	N. W. C.
		Min.	3	2	P.	15	N. W. C.

BOMBAY POLICE INTELLIGENCE.
FORT POLICE OFFICE.

Thursday, 3rd April 1862.

(BEFORE N. W. OLIVER, ESQ.)

CHEATING.—*Gendoo Azoo* was charged with cheating by dishonestly inducing a delivery of property, to wit a gold chain.

Essa Fazel the prosecutor stated that on the day of the great Eed, the prisoner borrowed a gold chain from him for the purpose of wearing it on the occasion of that day, promising to return it again in a short time. He did not return it that day. On the following day prosecutor met with him, when the prisoner told him that he had got drunk on the previous night and laid down on the Esplanade, and that while in that state he had been robbed of it. The prisoner repeatedly gave the same account to the prosecutor, when he gave him into custody. Subsequently prosecutor in company with the prisoner and a Policeman, went to the shop of a Marwaree, where the chain, now produced, had been pledged by the prisoner. The prosecutor identified it as being his property.

HIS WORSHIP committed the prisoner for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

SUPREME COURT.—PLEA SIDE.

List of Causes for Trial this day.

47 Fuckeer Balcrustna *vs.* The Municipal Commissioners for the town of Bombay. (Part heard).
34 Christopher Paddicombe *vs.* Henry Forman.

EQUITY SIDE.

Causes for hearing this day.

Killibae widow *vs.* Ruttonbae widow. For hearing.
Henry Foreman *vs.* Christopher Paddicombe. do.

SUPREME COURT.—PLEA SIDE.

29th March and 23rd April 1862,

(BEFORE THE FULL COURT.)

Charles Thompson vs. *The P. & O. Steam Navigation Company.*

Mr. Anstey, instructed by Mr. Crawford, appeared on behalf of the defendants to take the opinion of the Court on a special case sent up by the First Judge of the Small Cause Court. The learned counsel commented at some length upon the points raised in the judgment delivered by the Chief Judge of the court below (published in our issue of the 8th March;) and made general observations on the following Special case submitted by Mr. Hore:—

"The plaintiff in this case filed a plaint on the 6th instant (March) against the defendants, stating his cause of action as follows: 'To recover the amount of passage money to Sydney pursuant to agreement dated the 3rd December 1860, Rs. 300.' The plaintiff shipped under articles bearing date the 3rd day of December 1860, on board the *Teddo*, a ship registered in England, for a voyage from Sydney to any port or ports in the Australian Colonies, from thence to any port or ports in the Indian Ocean, Red Sea, or China Sea; proceeding backwards and forwards, between any of the intermediate ports as the nature of the transport or mail service might require, provided his services should not be required beyond a period of eight months; and that Sydney should be the final port of discharge; and amongst other stipulations, it was provided that 'should the vessel not return to Sydney, the crew must be transferred to some other vessel in the Peninsular and Oriental Company's service, to be paid at the same rate of wages they shipped for under this agreement, until discharged at Sydney, and to do duty in that ship as required, Upon the arrival of the *Teddo* at Bombay, the crew were mustered on deck, and informed that all who wished to return to Sydney would be transferred to a vessel which would start for that port on the following day, and that those who wished to remain in the P. & O. Company's service were to 'stand out.' Amongst those who 'stood out' was the plaintiff who shortly afterwards signed on articles for service in the same vessel. This second engagement terminated in Bombay on the 6th of February, when a release of all claims in respect of such second engagement, was signed by the plaintiff before a shipping master. The plaintiff then demanded a return passage to Sydney, under the agreement contained in the first articles. This request was refused.

"For the defendants was contended that the taking of re-employment, signing fresh articles, and passing a release on the termination of the second engagement, operated to discharge the defendants from any liabilities or claim under the first articles that such articles having been allowed to expire by effluxion of time, could not now be enforced; that the Court had no jurisdiction to entertain the action for damages, but that the plaintiff's remedy was by an application to a magistrate under the English Merchant Shipping Act.

"Upon the above facts and argument I held that as no release in respect of the defendants' agreement to provide the plaintiff with a return passage to Sydney, or in respect of the first articles, had been signed by the plaintiff in the presence of a shipping master, the plaintiff had not relinquished his right under those articles, and that the defendants, in refusing to furnish him with a return passage, had committed a breach of contract, for which the plaintiff was entitled to recover damages. In delivering judgment (copy of which is hereunto annexed). I gave a verdict in plaintiff's favor for the amount claimed, subject to the opinion of the Judges of the Supreme Court, which is now requested."

THE CHIEF JUSTICE delivered judgment to the following effect:—

We think that the circumstances contained in the special case submitted to us by the Chief Judge of the Court of Small Causes, discover a state of facts in which "discharge and settlement" before a Shipping Master are required under the provisions of Act I of 1859 entitled "an Act for the amendment of the land relating to merchant seamen." We think that a claim to be discharged at the port of Sydney was created in favour of the plaintiff bythe shipping articles of 3rd December 1860. We think that, under Rule 4 of Section 46 of Act I of 1859, no evidence could be received of the release or satisfaction of that claim, except a discharge or settlement at foot of those articles, before a Shipping Master. No such "discharge and settlement" having been forthcoming at the trial, we think the verdict for the plaintiff ought to stand.—*Verdict approved.*

COURT OF SMALL CAUSES.

(Thursday, 3rd April 1862.)

(BEFORE J. F. HORE, ESQ.)

Captain J. W. Young, I. N. vs. *Nusserwanjee Muncherjee.*

Mr. Sangster appeared for the plaintiff.
Dr. Reid for the defendant.

This was an action brought to recover Rs. 400, for damages arising from injury caused by the negligence of the defendant's servant, on the 21st of February last, in running into collision with the plaintiff's carriage and horses and thereby killing one of them and damaging the carriage and harness.

From the evidence of the plaintiff and his witnesses, it appears that at about half past seven o'clock in the evening on the day in question the plaintiff's coachman was driving his master's carriage along the Colaba Causeway, returning from the Band stand to plaintiff's house. The horses were being driven at a moderate pace, and the lamps were both lighted. The plaintiff was not in the carriage himself but it was occupied by Mrs. Young and her daughter. The China news had that evening been telegraphed from Point de Galle, and there was an unusual much excitemant caused thereby, so that there were a number of vehicles dashing along the road. At this time the defendant's buggy was driven along at a furious rate and on the wrong side of the road when it came into collision with the carriage of the plaintiff, the lamps of the plaintiff's carriage were alight while those of the defendant were not. On the plaintiff's coachman perceiving the defendant's buggy coming along, he called out to the driver of that vehicle to be careful, and at the same time pulled up his horses, but instead of endeavouring to do so, defendant came into collision with the plaintiff's carriage, smashing the splinter bar and the splash board and tearing the harness, at the same time striking one of the horses in the chest with the shaft of the buggy and killing it on the spot. The other horse sustained only slight injury. The driver of the buggy ran away on his ascertaining the damage he had done, and had not since been heard of. The buggy and horse were taken to the pound. It is supposed that the defendant was not in the buggy himself, but the next day he went to the Magistrate about the buggy and there said, that he was the owner and expressed his willingness to pay the damage done in consequence of the collision. The buggy had been seen at the Electric Telegraph office by Mr. Bailey the European Police Constable to whom it was well known. The attorney for the plaintiff had written to the defendant calling upon him to pay Rs. 350 for the horse that was killed and Rs. 50 as the amount of damage done to the carriage, harness and other expenses caused thereby.

Dr. Reid for the defendant pleaded not guilty; and that the injury was not caused by the negligence of the defendant's servant, but that it was the result of an inevitable accident, caused by the horse getting frightened and running away. The law made the master responsible not only for his own act but for that of his servants. But the strongest proofs were required in such cases, to shew that there had been negligence on the part of such servant. In this case the defendant was not in the buggy himself, he having lent his horse and buggy to his brother on that day, for the purpose of going to a dinner party at Colaba, and he knew nothing about the accident but from such information as he was able to glean on the spot sometime afterwards. Therefore he submitted that it required the fullest proof that the servant was at that time acting within the scope of his employment. There had been no proof of the amount of damages claimed by the plaintiff. (The learned counsel here cited the case of *Wakeman* vs. *Robinson* in 1st Bingham, in support of his argument,) after which he called

The defendant and two other witnesses. The defendant's evidence went to shew that he was the owner of the horse and buggy and that the driver had been in his employ at various times for some years, and that he was at all times a careful driver. The buggy had been lent to his brother, on the day in question, for the purpose of going to upper Colaba and that after he alighted there it was sent back again with the gorawalla. The defendant said, that he did not know any thing about the collision until he was informed of it at his own house, when he proceeded to the spot where it occurred, where he saw the horse that had been killed. He did not believe from the appearance of the animal that it was worth Rs. 150.

The other witnesses, the defendant's brother, and two opium dealers, were then examined and their evidence was intended to show that the collision was accidental. One of the witnesses swore positively that the buggy was not at the Telegraph office that evening.

Mr. Sangster in reply said, that the defendant had admitted that the horse and buggy were his own property. He submitted that it was a case of furious driving and not of accident. Only one witness had attempted to show how the collision had taken place. He contended that the defendant was liable for the want of skill on the part of his servant. There had been a clear contrivance to keep the driver out of the way and he had very little doubt but that he was within the precincts of the Court at the present moment. The evidence for the defendant should be looked upon with suspicion, for it had been shown that the defendant and two of his witnesses were dealers in opium, and it was very probable that they were the owners of the buggy themselves, or that they were perhaps in the buggy at the time of the collision. He submitted that the damages were not at all excessive; therefore he called upon the Court to give a verdict for the plaintiff in the full amount claimed.

HIS HONOR, in giving judgment said, that he had no doubt that the damage had been done by the defendant's buggy. There was no question as to the law of the case, but the question was as to the evidence, which, as was usual, in evidence in this Court, was of a most conflicting nature. His Honor was, however, of opinion, that there was proof of the negligence of the defendant on the part of his servant, which was for the defendant to rebut. There was the evidence of Mr. Bailey, the constable, against Kissondass. Mr. Bailey said that he had seen this particular buggy on several occasions at the Telegraph Office, and that on the evening in question he saw it being driven along at a most furious rate; he did not see the accident but he was on the spot directly afterwards, and that he did not believe that the buggy was the property of the defendant, but that it belonged to a Banian. The story of the witnesses for the defendant was very different. The Court was obliged to assume that the gorawalla only was with the buggy at the time. The Court therefore came to the conclusion that the defendant was responsible for the negligence of his servant. Consequently the verdict would be for the plaintiff. In assessing the amount of damages they were obliged of come to the best conclusion they could, and therefore he determined that the loss sustained by the plaintiff should be set down at Rs. 300 for the horse that was killed and for the injury to the carriage, harness and other expenses incurred thereby at Rs. 50, making altogether Rs. 350.

Verdict for Plaintiff, Rs. 350 *with costs.*

INDIAN.

POONA.

THE *Deccan Herald*, *April 2*, hears that it rained very heavily at Dharwar on the evenings of the 28th and 29th ultimo.

SIXTY-FIVE peons, says the same journal, of the Judicial Department were discharged on the 1st April, consequent on the reduction sanctioned by government.

THE mortality in the city of Poona during last month according to the mortuary Register was one hundred and seventy-five.

THE new Small Cause Court was opened in Poona on the 2nd April, in the Boodhwan Palace.—Judge, Baron Larpent.

SIND.

Our Paper, *March* 28, states that the Commissioner has nominated Dr. Ritchie, Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Captain Bonus, Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways in Sind, and Mr. Newnham, Chief Resident Engineer Sind Railway, to take the place of Dr. Grierson, Major Malcolm and Mr. Brunton in the board of Municipal Commissioners, Kurrachee. Major Malcolm never did anything for the city during his incumbency, but both Dr. Grierson and Mr. Brunton earned and obtained the thanks of the people, by their untiring exertions, and we trust the board of Commissioners will find their new coadjutors, men desirous of helping, by the exercise of their talents, and energies, in promoting the weal of the city. The Municipal Act needs amendment sadly, but the time must soon come when the people will have to elect their own Municipal Commissioners and so construct boards on which they may rely, boards consisting of men having stakes in the country, and consequently a livelier interest in it than mere officials who are here today and away tomorrow.

THE same Journal has the following:—

GAS.—We have the pleasure of announcing the fact that Kurrachee can at last boast of Gas-lights; Mr. John Berrie, of our city, having, for the past three nights illuminated his house, and thrown it open as a spectacle to the public; the lamps are all of crystal, and very showy. The natives were at first very curious to ascertain how the lights burned without oil, or any perceptible substance, and many of them set it down as the result of magic; their wonderment was increased ten fold when Mr. Berrie for the first time put all the lights out in an instant and then set them burning again, which he has since had to do several times during each night to satisfy the throngs of people who clamour for the sight. We trust Mr. Berrie will succeed in getting contracts for lighting the city, undertaking the work either himself or by the formation of a company. Calculations show that selling the Gas at the rate of common oil in Kurrachee, the return would be 50 per cent provided it be freely used.

BY private advices from Kattiawar the same journal learns that cholera is raging all over the district, and that Captain Elliot, of the late 21st N. I., who held the appointment of Assistant Political Agent, has fallen a victim to the scourge.

NORTH-WEST PROVINCES.

THE *Deli Gazette*, *March* 29, states that the first engine ran up to Agra on the 28th at 2 P. M. The line from Allahabad to Agra was to be opened on the 1st April.

PUNJAUB.

THE *Lahore Chronicle March* 26, understands that it has at length been determined that the Punjab Irregular Force which heretofore has been controlled by the Local Government in some degree independent of the Commander-in-Chief, is to be placed under His Excellency's command on the same footing as the rest of the Army.

THE same journal has the following:—

We understand that the Punjaub Railway between Lahore and Umritsur will be open for traffic on the 10th proximo.

It may be interesting to our readers to know the average *daily* receipts per *mile*, during the month of January for passengers and goods on other railways, and we therefore annex the particulars:

East India Railway from Howrah to Burdwan &c., 320 miles		Rs. 65
East India Railway from Allahabad to Cawnpore &c. 243 miles		„ 21
Bombay and Baroda Railway 133 miles		„ 10
Great Indian Peninsula 437 miles		„ 18

We trust the 33 miles of rail laid in the Punjab may yield a return equal to the highest rate mentioned above.

THE same journal mentions a fact which claims the attention of the Military authorities.

When European soldiers march from one station to another they have to pay out of their own pockets, the travelling expences of their wives and families! This disgraceful fact came accidentally to our knowledge by reason of our being told that the married men and women of H. M.'s 10th Foot at Mean Meer, were at the present moment sufferring great pecuniary distress in consequence of the expense they have incurred through having had to pay the hire of the carts and bullocks by which the women and children travelled from Cawnpore, upwards of 700 miles, they having previously come, partially by the same mode of conveyance and partially by rail, from Bombay. The women, with the whole journey having occupied nearly three months.

The regular rate of hire of a hackery and pair of bullocks is eight annas a day, or Rs. 15 per mensem, and as an European woman's monthly allowance is only Rs. 5, while the husband's savings cannot reach the same amount, it will be readily perceived that the difficulty of making two ends meet must be overpowering.

THE *Hurkaru*, *March* 26, observes that Mr. Grant' celebrated defence of his Indigo policy, and justification of those measures which have turned every planter into a Tom Touchy, and every ryot into a litigious rogue, would seem, after all, to have fallen short of the expectations of his friends. They had zealously made up their minds to welcome Lord Canning's destruction at their favourite's hand, and now find their well timed and ready praise somewhat out of keeping with a mere piece of special pleading, and a review of the old question from the old points of view.

BRITISH, COLONIAL, AND FOREIGN.

SQUABBLES BETWEEN THE KING OF ITALY AND HIS MINISTER.—There have been, if popular, very widely-spread rumour may be credited, some passes at arms between the Sovereign and his Minister, in which, although the language may have been more choice and temperate than what was attributed to Count Cavour, far greater offence has been given to the King's personal and dynastic susceptibilities. On one occasion, it is said, Baron Ricasoli rather gratuitously reminded the King that his, the Baron's noble race was fully as old as the house of Humbert the White-handed of Savoy. At another juncture, or, indeed, in more than one instance, the Premier was too anxious to inform his royal master that in a constitutional State the whole responsibility rests upon the advisers of the Crown, and that the King, being inviolable, should leave matters of home and foreign policy to those who must abide the consequences of their own deeds, whereupon the King is said to have answered dryly that he was, indeed, a mere tyro in historical lore, but that he had read, seen, and experienced enough to know that there were Kings who have been beheaded, driven into exile, or brought to die of a broken heart, while he had hardly heard of one instance of a Minister bearing the punishments of their mistakes or misdeeds. Again, the King is said to have once shown the Baron a pamphlet printed in Sicily, and full of the most outrageous abuse of his own royal person, and, upon the Minister acknowledging that he had never seen or heard of that publication, the King said, "You see how it is, my Lord Baron; I have the highest opinion of your upright and generous character, but you must agree with me, you never know anything of what is going on."—*Letter from Turin.*

THE SULTAN'S THRIFT AND GENEROSITY.—The Sultan has just given a proof of thrift for which few who have been familiar with palace improvidence within recent years have been prepared. A week ago, the Grand Vizier reported to him that, in consequence of the state of the Treasury, it would be impossible to make the usual extra allowances to the troops for sweets and other holiday luxuries during the approaching Ramazan, and equally so would payment of any of their arrears to the civil *employés* be out of the question. On the following day, without having said anything but express his regret at this state of things to Fuad, His Majesty sent over to the latter's room at the Porte fourteen large bays of *coinage*, of the value of 20,000,000 piasters, for application to the two purposes mentioned. This large amount—about £100,000—was a portion of his Majesty's savings out of his income when Aziz Effendi, and out of his civil list since his accession to the throne. The local effect of this act of spontaneous generosity has been very good amongst all classes, native and foreign, of the metropolitan population.

THERE was never any misgiving felt that earthworks might not be carried on across the Suez Isthmus, and irrigation-canal dug for the Nile to discharge one of it branches into Lake Tynshah, midway between both seas. This result has been accomplished on the 2nd February, and a supply of fresh water for the Arab navies need no longer depend on the camel-back carriage. The approach, much less entrance, of East India vessels from either side of the roadstead is quite another achievement.—*Letter in the Globe.*

A NEW system of telegraph has been submitted to the Emperor Napoleon, to which its inventor, M. Caselli, has given the name of "pantegraph." This Telegraph has been already worked at Florence and Leghorn. It transmits autograph messages and drawings with all the perfections and defects of the originals. An inhabitant of Leghorn wrote four lines from Dante, and they appeared in the same handwriting at Florence. A portrait of the same poet was painted at Leghorn, and it was reproduced at Florence line for line and shade for shade. A bill of exchange was drawn in the same manner, and its authenticity admitted.

WAR-RISKS ON VESSELS FROM HAVRE TO THE CONFEDERATE STATES.—It is alleged that within the last two days insurances for large amounts have been executed in London for French account, on goods per steamers from Havre to the ports of the Confederate States. A single policy effected at one of the marine offices is reported to be for £100,000 sterling. The premiums, including risk of capture by blockading vessels of war, range from 15 to 20 guineas per cent.

COMMERCIAL TREATY WITH THE ZOLLVEREIN.—The *Star* learns that Government is about to send to Berlin Mr. Mallett, of the Board of Trade, for the purpose of negotiating a commercial treaty between England and the Zollverein; also, that negotiations between France and Italy are now so far advanced as to render it probable that a treaty of commerce, on free trade principles, and a treaty of navigation will shortly be concluded between the two countries.

THE VAGARIES OF A FRENCH SENATOR.

The following report of proceedings in the French Senate on Monday is given by the *Times'* correspondent:—

M. de Boissy claimed to speak on the Address, or rather that part of it which referred to America, and he so managed as to touch on almost every topic, foreign and domestic, but the real one. After the usual skirmishing with the President, and one or two unsuccessful interruptions from his colleagues, he at last got under way. On the passport system he said:—

"When this question was at first raised I was told, and with some appearance

from the increase of the Stamp Duties—a tax easily and cheaply collected, and which appears as little objectionable as any tax can be, and very different from the import duties on cotton goods, which appear at this time to possess every vice which a tax can well have. Upon comparing the returns of receipts of Income Tax and Stamp Duties for the quarter November to January, with previous returns, we arrive at the following results, which will interest many of our readers—

The receipts from Income Tax in the quarter are..... £ 360,000
Making the total receipts for the three quarters since 1st May £1,402,000
And against Mr. Laing's Estimate for the year to close on 30th April, of £1,948,000
so that it follows, that nearly half a million must be received in the last quarter to bring the year's receipts up to the estimate, and this appears a little doubtful, though we are not likely to be much, if at all, behind hand.

The Stamp Duties shew far better. The receipts in the last quarter are £560,000, or £200,000 more than from the Income Tax, while they are about £100,000 larger than in any previous quarter, and show a new income on the quarter, of £400,000, the receipts in the corresponding quarter of 1859, when the *old* Stamp Duties only were in operation, having been but £159,000.

The receipts for the three quarters are £1,314,000 and exceed the estimate of Mr. Laing for the year, that estimate having been £1,216,000.

The stamps are therefore only £100,000 behind in the race with the Income Tax, while they have in nine months over-passed the estimate for twelve, the Income Tax being somewhat behind hand. What, however, [illegible] interest the public is, to know that if the *combined taxes* are [illegible]ths already passed, [illegible]about £3,600,000 [illegible]2,164,000. If we see [illegible] sterling, Mr. Laing [illegible] but it is clear we [illegible]on of the alteration [illegible]uld ever be given [illegible]rly a Bengal Civilian, [illegible] the party who originated this [illegible] sometimes had occasion for comment unfavourably on the proceedings of Bengal Civilians, and especially of Bengal financiers, and it is all the more incumbent on us to perform the pleasing duty of recording their good deeds. If the import duties are reduced, we shall owe it in great measure to a Bengal Civilian, now retired from the service, in England.

PRIMOGENITURE IN OUDH.

(From the Oudh Gazette, March 26.)

The last legislative measure which the late Viceroy originated (12th instant), evinces the anxiety felt by him that the condition of the Oudh Talookdars, as settled by himself, should be perpetuated. Satisfied with, and proud of, the results of his efforts to establish a landed aristocracy in this province, by means of the Summary Settlement, and the measures therewith connected, his Lordship naturally felt desirous for the permanency of the system, for which he laboured so heartily and so long, and the growth of which he has watched and fostered with so much care. The settlement itself did not invest the Talookdar's Sunnud with all the solemn sanction which the law was capable of affording. The terms and manner of the settlement left much of uncertainty, which might, in time to come, as the political condition of the province itself changed, become the element of doubt and difficulty. To remedy this was necessary.

In the matter of "succession," for instance, though the powers given to the Talookdars fully secured to every incumbent the right to dispose of his honors and his estates as he chose, and fully secured the heir or nominee his rights in succession, yet the uncertainty arising from the confusion existing in Oudh between the conflicting laws and customs of Mahommedanism and Hindooism, necessarily imperilled the permanence in operation of the great principle which was the mainspring of all Lord Canning's measures in relation to an Oudhean aristocracy. Lord Canning's first aim was, of course, to afford certain tangible marks of Government favour by the Talooks granted—to secure to the people (where this might be done) the restored manorial rule of those who were their chiefs before the rebellion disturbed all such relations—and to mark the clemency of the British rule generally in its dealings with a rebel province: and he sought to make these grants the more acceptable, by hampering them only with conditions "conformable to the principles and usage traditional in the country and dear to the people."

But the ultimate end in view, in the mode adopted to mature the new system, was the introduction and establishment among the Talookdars of the principle of primogeniture as ruling succession; and the Bill before the Council bears mainly on this point. All that had been done in Oudh, by the Viceroy exercising the powers of the Viceroy in Council, is now re-affirmed by that Council with all the circumstance of formal law: this Bill legislating in detail upon principles formerly operating only as generalities: providing for all cases of intestacy: regulating adoptions: defining the extent to which the custom of certain families may operate: and providing especially for the mode in which the principle and rules of primogeniture shall take effect.

The law of succession is codified and simplified for Oudh, thus: in cases where a regular testamentary disposition of the talook and its honors has been effected, the succession is of course plain, in accordance with the will: in cases of intestacy, the estate descends entire "to the natural born heir," the eldest son: failing such heir, an adopted son succeeds: if no son has been adopted by the deceased, the nearest collateral male heir next inherits: failing all these, the widow would take, for her life: and if all these fail, then the estate will be dealt with according to other laws or usages, as if the Bill under notice had never been enacted. It will be seen that the only material difference between these rules, and the principles in force at home, lie in the recognition of adoption as a circumstance of qualification for heirship, opening out a vast field of conflicting laws and customs on the subject, yet dealing with them succinctly and categorically.

The Bill goes further, and, with the view of preserving intact the wealth and position of these new aristocrats, protects their estates from seizure or sale by process of law, unless by special consent and approval of the local Government, sanctioned and confirmed by the Supreme Government. But here the Government have wisely assumed the right of exercising, at any moment, a strong controlling power over the Talookdar. He holds this *privileged* security of his estates at the will of Government. A list of the estates so privileged will be made, and to those on this list alone will the privilege be extended: and the list will be subject to revision at any time, Government reserving the right to place thereupon, or remove therefrom, any estate, at any time.

Another new feature in this important Bill, is the provision whereby certain personal property, in the nature of *heir-looms*, may, on the application of the possessor, or any other interested person, be regularly *entertained*—descending in the same line as the landed estate. This has been done in consideration for the feelings on the point universal in families of rank and wealth in India.

The Bill further provides, "that all disputes of succession, and all other claims and disputes affecting the estate itself, be determined by the local Government, subject to the confirmation of the Governor General in Council: thus giving the Government the charge of watching over these estates and their inheritance, and *rendering their protection a matter of Governmental policy rather than of law.*"

The Bill goes still further, and removes all suits and disputes relating to titled lands in Oudh from the cognizance of Civil Courts, restoring the jurisdiction, in all such matters, of the Revenue authorities, subject to appeal to the Chief Commissioner as Financial Commissioner—in effect restoring matters to the *status quo ante*. Act VIII of 1859. Lord Canning deems it "far preferable that, in a country in the condition of Oudh, where our laws and system of legal procedure are not familiar to the people, where the settlement is still a summary one, and where the Government has still to feel its way to a wise, encouraging and beneficial settlement, questions relating to land should, as far as possible, continue to be all *Revenue* questions, and not be brought within the ordinary scope of the Law Courts."

This instance of all-important legislation, affords ground for comment on the loud pretensions of the so-called British Indian Association of Oudh. If these pretensions had anything in them—if they were anything but the hollowest and most barefaced of shams, we must have found in the initial stages of this Bill—the Oudh Talookdars' Charter—at least some small recognition of the Association's existence. The Viceroy spoke much of the wishes of the Talookdars and of the people, as ascertained in the ordinary way, and through the ordinary channels, utterly ignoring what he must prominently have noticed, had the stupid grandiloquence of their Bengali mouth-piece rested upon the faintest shadow of a fact. Indeed, the matter of such an extraordinary piece of legislation being (though of vital interest to all hereditary Talookdars in Oudh) of no private value to the mere foreign landholder here, and of no personal interest or use in the self-service of arrogance and conceit, as personified in *the* talookdar who constitutes the Association, the business seems not to have elicited from their *soi disant* official organ, even a passing notice. *Verb Sap.*

INDIAN VERSUS AMERICAN COTTON.

(From the Bengal Harkaru, March 25.)

The possession of the English cotton market is now the great question of the commercial world. America has had it; can India have it? Bold speakers, some in England, some in India, say that America will always hold it,—that India cannot get it though she do her best. One thing in the abstract, all allow; namely that slavery is a false principle in labor, and that nothing is so ruinous as a false principle; in other words, slavery must *one day* ruin those who look to it for wealth. This being so, the American slave cotton supply cannot be permanent, in the full sense of the word. When and how slavery is to ruin it, is slowly but surely developing itself before the eyes of all who observe closely, and know that God lives, and that right rules the world.

Commerce, however, deals with the concrete. It will have passionate facts and, leave ultimate principles to philosophy. None the less sure that slave labor cannot rest in its right hand to those who undertake to live by it, we now lay that eternal verity out of the question, and proceed to examine facts, only facts, to prove that India has no reason to despair. We believe that the actual permanence, for any lengthened period, of the Confederate supply of cotton, as commanding the English market and making it useless for India to attempt the supply—is a folly and a chimera. Were the total possible supply from India to be confined to finest staples and to cotton grown along the Bombay coast, the case would be different. Had not efforts to improve our Indian staples been heretofore mainly conducted by government and been almost untouched by the grand stimulant of personal interest, the case would be different. So would it if new lands were not opening up in every part of India, whose varied soils are to effect staples in the staple which none can foretell. Look at the improvements wrought in the potato, the mango, the plantain, and many other things here which individual, not government action, has refined, and that within very brief periods. These are but indications of what may be done with cotton. *Nil desperandum*, we say: believe and work, and you can do it. Now, then, for facts that bear against the statement that India *cannot* gain a hold worth having, on the English market, nor keep it if she gets it.

A widely copied article from the *Economist*, fully endorsed by the *Times of India*, and entitled *Indian versus American Cotton*, comes just now in our way. And we propose to meet it as drawing too large conclusions from small premises, as ignoring the present actual condition of things in America, and overlooking vital facts touching the cost of raising cotton in the two countries.

We believe, in the first place, that the civil war is so changing the slave's condition, and the relations of things about him, that it is next to impossible that he should ever again, as a slave, or even as a freed man, turn out his four million bales of cotton annually at its usual cost, or even the half of it.

The slave's position in America is already sufficiently changed to convince a tolerably close observer that what he has done, he may not do again.

We do not believe that emancipation is to be soon declared, even in the event of the entire success of the Northern arms. Emancipation is possible, but not probable—what then? We think even then, it is quite clear that we are not to expect the return to cotton-culture, under the whip, of more than a considerable fraction of the three or four millions of American negroes who have been hitherto devoted to it. On the one hand, Mexico is getting occupied by those who will not allow her soil to be farther encroached on by propogandists of slavery. Even Texas, who left Mexico some years since and seceded to the arms of slavery, is raising upland cotton, with some success, by the labor, not of free negroes but of whites,—chiefly immigrant Germans. What may come of this experiment we know not, except that it stretches a *cordon sanitaire* in a quarter where the disease of slavery seemed most likely to spread. In the North, again, slavery has been checked, notwithstanding the people everywhere have made paramount to it the question of their own life or death as a people. This real limitation of the slave power in the North is very variously evidenced.

We have not space to-day for other facts that go to prove the day gone by for ever when slaves can be hunted on Northern soil, or slave uprisings in the South, be kept down by Northern bayonets. And if so we see more than the beginning of the end of American slavery. We cannot shut our eyes to the well defined limitations of a prairie fire which, ere very long must burn itself out.

Our reference now, however, is to the article entitled "Indian *vs.* American Cotton." This article undertakes to affirm, in *ex cathadra* style, "*The real state of the case.*" It declares in the outset that "entire misapprehension prevails on this subject," and that "strange and transparent delusions are daily propagated concerning it through the various organs of the Press." In the same modest tone it considers it an abuse of language to say that any prejudice in judging the case can possibly exist in the minds of cotton spinners in that part of the word. It is claimed that in judging the question they grasp the subject in all its relations and rightly weigh all considerations, whether of the past or of the future. We do not accept the argument of the *Economist*, nor believe that, in this instance, he has hit the real state of the caste. This, we believe, will be better understood, in view of a few such facts as those given above, and such as we add here very briefly. We deny that no improvement is to be looked for in the staple of Indian cotton. All fruits, plants, and animals, are found capable of untold modifications by transplantation, crossing, and culture. By a scientific treatment of germination, unexpected results appear, and that often which may be promptly and widely used by the common laborer and least schooled cultivator. To say "that Indian cotton, that second in staple, must always be what it always has been, and never be improved, seems like one of those "strange and transparent delusions" which this writer so illiberally denounces in those who differ from him. He seems to have forgotten the magnificent deltas of the Ganges and the Indus, though one would imagine that the name of Dacca could hardly have escaped one conversant with cotton. Both these deltas are British possessions, and both are as well supplied with means of transport to the sea as New Orleans itself—the Calcutta of the American States. India can raise only the inferior article, he says, an article permanently and necessarily inferior, and bearing the relation to American cotton of oats to wheat. Upon the unalterable nature of this inferiority which seems to us "an entire misapprehension," he builds his argument. Why, it is scarcely three fourths of a century since the seed of that queen of the cotton plants, the Sea Islands cotton, was first brought over seas from the Bahama Islands into Georgia. Thence it subsequently found its way into South Carolina, were the belief part of this crop is now grown. Who shall say, that as marked changes are not possible on the shores of India by transplanting and importation. Is no prejudice at work in the denial of such a thing as possible? No one doubts that it is *now* "of shorter fibre than Orleans" or that because "so much more of it" as now gathered, "falls down as dirt or flies off as dust and flock that a pound of Surat makes much less yarn than a pound of Orleans." True enough that by reason of this waste "its value to the manufacturer is never more than two thirds that of an equal weight of its American rival." The arch fallacy lies in following up the statement of so obvious a fact with the tremendous *non sequitur*; which the *Economist* takes special pains to italicise,—*and "its value can be no more.*" Surely, all things are possible to him that believeth, whether in commerce or in creed; at least to an Englishman. "It never can be more" valuable than now! Here is prejudice and assumption with a vengeance! True, we say, it never can be better until it is improved: or, to use the words of the *Economist*, so long as its "(dirty)" quality and and (fluffy) character remain unaltered." Quite true.

"There's a villain living in all Denmark,
"—But—he's an arrant knave!"

There needs no ghost to tell us that. The question is, are the characteristics of Surat to be the characteristics of all Indian cotton through all time. The affirmative answer which the *Economist* gives to this query constitutes, we repeat, the fallacy which undermines and destroys his entire argument.

All sorts of improvements, we repeat, are now coming into India as never before since the memory of man. Now is her opportunity; now is the tide in her affairs which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune. As she values a high place among the nations let her not make light, as this writer does of "the year or two's start" which is now tendered her, during the American war by a favouring Providence. Two years is time enough for her if she will bestir herself. She may, if she choose, escape from her place of thraldom and low esteem, to such open sailing as will make her mistress of the situation beyond interference or dispute.

No mean authority, Mr. T. Bazley, says, in an article in the *Athenæum* of September 14, 1861, entitled "A Glance at the Cotton Trade," that small supplies of cotton, *as good as that obtained from New Orleans* are now (and what it is in India). It is three pence the pound in America on the average! And in India but three half pence per pound. Think of that, such as mean to plant cotton in India on lands accessible from the Sea; know that if you can save the present cost of carriage you can save the market of England, and so, in a sense, save India! Surat is not India: nor is the Bombay Presidency India. And it is absurd to treat as fixed for ever in the unalterable nature of things the present and passing accident of the time—namely, that "for every purpose for which Surat is, or can be made available, Orleans is just half as available again." In view of the large variety of Indian cotton plants, how futile is it to argue that the American and the Indian plant are "specifically different." Or that, since the American plant, the "Orleans," is undeniably an exotic in India, we have no resource but to raise inferior cotton to the end of our days. Or that America is sure to supply England cheaper and better than any other country, so long as it shall suit her "to send cotton at all."

Believe not, India, "for it would not be true": "In fact your large outlays for cotton cultivation deny it. The entire argument, for which we now express our respectful but decided dissent, is ruinously based upon too narrow premises. Again, we need not dwell upon the open secret, but the time is near when the American cultivator will cease to work for no wages at all, with the whip at his back, and no hope in the future. With or without emancipation it is not to be, that it should not be,—true, "Southern States of America will always be the cheapest and best cotton field in the "world." If "they have abundant labor," and "extraordinary richness," so has India; if they have capital, great intelligence, and energy, and access to scientific appliances on "the part of the governing race," so has India in equal measure. What means the *Economist*, then, when he says that "*no other country can be named*, beside America, which is not comparatively very deficient in one, or more, of all these necessary elements of cheap production." We doubt it. The assertion is a bold one, and on the part of India we challenge the truth of it.

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